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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

BOX PATENT APPLICATION  
Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This Preliminary Amendment is being filed concurrently with a 1.53(b) Continuation Application, based upon Serial No. 08/793,956; filed March 12, 1997, which was filed from International Application No. PCT/FR95/01158; filed September 11, 1995.

Entry of the following amendments prior to examination of the application is respectfully requested.

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

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